

"Thank You My Love"

I remember when I first met you, never realizing that you would be mine. I thank God in His infinite wisdom knowing that it was just a matter of time. Thank you for your obedience to Him. You were my homie, lover and friend. Thank you for "seeing" my imperfections and loving me unconditionally even then. Thank you for being a confidant as my secrets were safe with you. Thank you for being patient when we didn't quite know what to do. Thank you for being a great husband and an incredible stand-up guy. Thank you for being so selfless; why God took you, I can't phantom why. Thank you for being so selfless with me and both of our children. Thank you for being a righteous and generous man, a provider, a good listener, and more. Thank you for showing me what true love is, in a way that no one else could. Our journey together wasn't without stress, strain or strife. Yet, we managed to live our "Best Life". So, today my love as we lay you to rest, I want you to know that you are and forever will be the best part of me, and the absolute love of my life.

~Your Loving Wife, LaVonda

Acknowledgement

Our sincere thanks to our many family members and friends, for every act of kindness, support, sympathy and your prayers during our time of bereavement. Your thoughtfulness has meant so much to us. May God bless each of you!

~The family of the late **Bruce Wendell Richardson**

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Sunrise

November 30, 1964

Sunset

November 10, 2018

Service

11:00 AM, Saturday, November 17, 2018



*Celebration
Of Life
for*



Bruce Wendell Richardson was born on November 30, 1964 to Loretha and Walter Richardson, Jr. in Jacksonville, Florida. He confessed Christ at the age of 10 and was baptized by Rev. Jim Dixon in Mt. Olive Primitive Baptist Church. Bruce attended the local schools of Duval County graduating from William M. Raines High School. He also received his Bachelor's Degree from Edward Waters College. Bruce met and married LaVonda Michelle Austin on February 22, 1992 in Zion Hope Baptist Church and to this union 2 daughters, Nyla and Bailey were born. Bruce was a hard-working man as he served at Florida Blue for many years as a Safety and Security Supervisor. He was also a member of the Masonic Order and served as a Worthy Patron.

Bruce departed this life on Saturday, November 10, 2018. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Nyla Alissa Richardson; mother, Loretha Richardson; father, Walter Richardson, Jr.; great-grandmother, Teretha S. Murray.

Bruce leaves to cherish his memories: a loving and devoted wife, LaVonda Richardson; daughter, Bailey Richardson; mother-in-love, Bettye Banks; sisters, Marcella Richardson, Cheryl Richardson and Sylvia Richardson; sisters-in-love, Regina Bodison (Ralph) and Darlene Gamble; brother-in-love, Herschell Banks, Jr.; niece, Ranada Bodison; nephews, Anthony Miller, Brandon Backmon (Raja) and Ralph Bodison III; great nieces, Anyea Bodison, Makayla Miller and Blair Backmon; great nephews, Jordan Miller and Andre Bodison; special friends, Walden Parker, Gail Holley, Emily Tillman, Dr. Claudia Young, Corine Steward and Elaine Kears; and a host of other relatives, friends and colleagues.



Family



Samuel C. Rogers Jr. Memorial Chapel
 Rev. Dr. Deborah Wallace, Pastor
 Murchison Temple Christian Methodist Episcopal Church

- Processional & Viewing** Musical Prelude
- Scripture:**
 Old Testament Dr. Claudia Young (Isaiah 40:28-31)
 New Testament Sis. Racquel Bolden-Lott (2 Timothy 4:6-8)
- Invocation** Rev. Dr. Deborah Wallace
- Tribute** Bailey Richardson (*Daughter*)
- Selection** Philip Mercer
- Poem** Girleaner Rouse-Mingo
- Reflections** (*Two Minutes Please*)
- Acknowledgements** Sis. Sharon Arnold
- Obituary** Emily Tillman
- Personal Tribute** Elder Darlene Gamble (*Sister-in-love*)
- Selection** Sis. Tonya Brown
"When You Hear of My Homegoing"
- Words of Comfort**..... Rev. Dr. Deborah Wallace
- Recessional** "Take Me To The King"

Pallbearers

Herschell Banks, Jr.
 Anthony Davis
 Ralph Bodison, Jr.
 Andre Bodison

Flower Attendants

AKAnomenal Divas
 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery